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GOVERNMENT OF TRIPURA
DEPTT. OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT
VIGYAN, PRAJUKTI O PARIVESH BHAWAN
PT. NEHRU COMPLEX: AGARTALA
TRIPURA-799006

No.F.8(30)/DSTE/ENV/Pt-V/5665-5836

Dated 03/08/2022

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred upon as per the provision of Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986), and also the powers conferred to this State, vide Notification No.S.O.479 (E) dated the 25th July, 1991 under Section 23 of the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986, the Government of Tripura had issued Notification No.F.8(30)/DSTE/ENV/Pt-V/5612-30 dated 03.08.2022 for management of plastic waste and phasing out Single Use Plastic item(s) in the State of Tripura in accordance with the Plastic Waste Management (Amendment) Rules, 2021.

2. In order to ensure effective implementation of the Plastic Waste Management (Amendment) Rules, 2021, the 'Pollution Cost' at the following rates shall be realized in case of violation of the Plastic Waste Management (Amendment) Rules, 2021:

Sl. No.	Pollution Cost to be Imposed upon	Pollution Cost Rs.
a)	Permanent Shops/Establishments	i) Rs.1000/- only in case of first offence.ii) Rs.2000/- only for Second offence.
		iii) Rs.3000/- only for Third & Subsequent offence.
b)	Temporary or mobile shops/establishments	 i) Rs.500/- only in case of first offence. ii) Rs.1000/- only for Second offence. iii) Rs.1500/- only for Third & Subsequent offence.
c)	Individual User	Rs.100/- Only.

3. Such 'pollution cost' will be imposed by the officer not below the rank of Assistant Sub-Inspector of Police under control of Sub-Divisional Police Officer (SDPO) in each Sub-Division and also by the following 'Authorized Officers' in their respective jurisdiction. The amount collected as 'pollution cost' will be centrally deposited in the Savings Account Number – 33906035634 (which is in favour of Member Secretary, Tripura State Pollution Control Board) at State Bank of India, TLA House Branch, Colonel Chowmuhani, Agartala to utilize the fund for the purpose of environment up-gradation in the state. Tripura State Pollution Control Board (TSPCB) will look after the overall function of the Bank Account and proper utilization of fund. The same account shall be audited regularly by the TSPCB.

4. Authorized Officers:-

The following officers are hereby authorized to implement this Notification in their respective jurisdiction, namely,:

- 1. Member Secretary, Tripura State Pollution Control Board and Officers at the level of Junior Environmental Engineer/Junior Scientist and above.
- 2. Municipal Commissioner, Agartala Municipal Corporation, Agartala and other Officers nominated by him.
- 3. Chief Executive Officer of Tripura Tribal Area Autonomous District Council, Tripura and other Officers nominated by him.
- District Magistrate & Collectors of all respective Districts in Tripura and his nominees.
- 5. Superintendent of Police, SDPO, Sub-Inspector of Police and Asst. Sub-Inspector of Police & Other Officials nominated by Superintendent of Police.
- 6. Director, Department of Science, Technology & Environment, Government of Tripura and his nominees.
- Director, Food and Civil Supplies Department and Officers at the level of Inspector and above. Director may nominate any other officials as deemed fit.
- 8. Director, Industries & Commerce Department and other Officers nominated by him.
- 9. Director, Health & Family Welfare Department or other Officers nominated by him.
- Commissioner of Taxes & Excise and Officers at the level of Inspector of Taxes and above.
- 11. Labour Commissioner, Labour Department and Officers at the level of Inspector and above.
- Sub-Divisional Magistrate of all respective Sub-Division in Tripura.
- 13. Controller, Legal Metrology, Government of Tripura & his nominees.
- 14. Block Development Officer of all respective RD Block in Tripura.
- 15. Chief Executive Office of all Municipal Councils in Tripura
- 16. Executive Officers of all Nagar Panchayets in Tripura.
- 5. It is made clear that at the time of imposition of 'pollution cost' and collection from the shop keepers or from any individual as per the quantum referred above, proper receipt should be given by the all concerned as document.
- 6. Proper accounting should be made by the all concerned and also by the Tripura State Pollution Control Board, so that the State Level Advisory Body [constituted under the provision of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and the Plastics Waste (Management and Handling) Rules, 2016] from time to time can supervise the work of the implementing agencies towards protection of Environment.

- 7. Manufacturers, Stockists, Users and Transporters of unauthorized Single Use Plastic(s) are liable to face prosecution and other regulatory order as confirmed under Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and Rules made there under, apart from the aforementioned payment of pollution cost.
- 11. During raids conducted by the all above mentioned "Authorized Officers", local police will render full co-operation and in case of refusal to pay 'pollution cost', police authorities will take necessary action in accordance with law.
- 12. This is issued in supersession of earlier Notification No. F.8(30)/DSTE/ENV/Pt-IV/6195-6395 dated 04.10.2019 and will take immediate effect.

By Order of the Governor

(Dr. P.K. Chakravarty, IAS)

Secretary

to the Government of Tripura